

## MORENCI ITEMS.

The new power house near the smelter is nearing completion and the large gasoline engines will soon be at work.

A new barber shop has just been opened up in the stone building recently built by Hon. E. M. Williams, of the A. C. Co. store.

Johnnie Belton, foreman at the smelter, has recently constructed an elegant four-room frame cottage, and he and his family now occupy same.

The large ware-house of the D. C. M. Co. has been completed and is now filled to overflowing with various kinds of goods. No room for dancing there now.

Business has been rather dull since the abolition of the boleto system by the companies, but all business men are of the opinion that trade will be as brisk as ever after two or three pay days.

The many new residences on Society Hill render that part of the city very attractive. They have all been put up in accordance with the latest designs in architecture and are painted beautifully.

The D. C. M. Co. continue to improve their smelting plant. The latest improvement is the change in the converters to a more commodious location. The frame work is all of steel and the roof of slate.

A large force of men are now engaged in removing the dump of the old Blum mine, north of the D. C. M. Co. store, and grading for the lumber yard and saw mill. Several thousand logs are now on the ground.

C. W. Marks, the genial photographer, is doing a rushing business. The Era man is under obligations to Mr. Marks for courtesies extended while in Morenci, Saturday, also to Johnnie Hogan, engineer at the smelter.

News has been received to the effect that Lawrence Lapoint is having a nice residence built at Mesilla Park, over in the Rio Grande Valley, and his friends here are wondering if he and his prospective bride intend living there.

Antonelle & Pagano have the contract for grading the first two miles of the Morenci Southern from Morenci. A car load of picks, drills, hammers, wheelbarrows, cots, etc., were received by them Tuesday, and they are now at work in earnest with about fifty men.

The contractors are experienced railroad men and will push the work as fast as possible.

One of the principal amusements of our little city is the cock fight at the pit every Sunday afternoon. The small hills which surround the pit afford a splendid view of the "mills." The fight never ends until one of the combatants is dead.

About seventy-five laborers are busily engaged in excavating for the magnificent four-story iron and stone store building for the D. C. M. Co., and at least twenty-five rock men and stone-cutters are working at the quarry one mile below town.

The survey of the Morenci Southern runs through most of the business houses, on the south side of the street, in the canyon, and, as none of the property owners have received any official notice as to whether or not they will be disturbed, they are all anxiously awaiting their fate.

The forty-three room, two-story frame lodging house of the Morenci Improvement Company is about completed and will soon be opened by Mrs. Julia Maar. This will be one of the finest lodging houses in the territory. The walls and ceiling of every room are covered with 11 oz. ducking which is Kalsomined with the very finest of that material. No two rooms will be exactly the same color.

## Holt-Parks Nuptials.

W. W. Holt slipped off down to Solomonville last Sunday morning to attend the races, so he said, but none of the boys believed him, and their suspicions were well founded, for on yesterday evening he returned with his bride. Mr. Holt and Miss Dollie Parks were married at the home of the bride's parents in Solomonville last Sunday evening, Rev. Shields officiating. As has been stated in the Era, Mrs. Holt is a sister to Mrs. Frank Ringgold. The happy couple will reside in East Clifton. Mrs. Ringgold accompanied Mr. Holt to Solomonville to attend the wedding and see her parents, and will not return for several days.

Pablo Lujan, brother of Mrs. Beatriz L. de Stevens, died at his home on the east side, last Monday morning at 5 o'clock, aged 28, and was buried Tuesday morning.

A few more shines left.—Long Tom.

## At the Academy.

There will be a ball Saturday night. Admission, \$1.00 per couple.

## Property to Trade.

One five-room frame house, cellar and barn, on three large lots in Kanopolis, Kansas, three miles from Ellsworth, seat of Ellsworth county. Will trade for Clifton or Morenci property.

FRANK WIESE,  
Morenci, Arizona.

## Latest Styles in Shoes.

S. W. Price & Co. have just received their large spring stock of the latest styles of ladies' and gents' Brown Shoe company's shoes. The Brown Shoe is recognized the world over as being the leading shoe on the market. It is strictly an up to date article.

Chewing and smoking tobacco and the best cigars always on hand at L. W. Smith's.

Our magazines for March are arriving daily. Come early and get the pick. —L. W. Smith.

Mrs. J. G. Hopkins and son J. G. Jr. started to Virginia yesterday, and Mr. Hopkins will join them soon.

Dr. W. H. Fales has rented the J. G. Hopkins residence in South Clifton and he and wife are now occupying same.

Billy Hamilton returned from Solomonville Tuesday evening. He says the Sweetwater race horse men carried off all the money.

Tol Bell arrested two Mexicans last Friday afternoon thinking they were Old Mexico horse thieves of whom he had a description; but it turned out that they were not the men wanted.

One of the new engines of the A. & N. M. Ry. is now pulling the regular train between Clifton and Lordsburg. Heretofore it required two engines to pull the train up the hill between here and Guthrie.

Dell M. Potter has received and is putting in place on his ranch above town one of the largest hydraulic rams made. It has a capacity of 200,000 gallons daily, and will throw water into a large tank, fifty feet high, from which Mr. Potter will irrigate his farm and orchard. He is now planting one hundred and fifty young ash trees.